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**National AAPI DACA Collaborative Launches Website with 14 Organizations
Encouraging Eligible Youth to Apply for Original DACA on 4th Anniversary**
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WASHINGTON, D.C. — Four years to the day after President Obama launched Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA), the National AAPI DACA Collaborative launches its [website](#). The site provides information and resources to the public on DACA and encourages eligible Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders (AAPIs) to apply for the program. To date, DACA has provided more than 728,000 young undocumented immigrants with work permits and temporary relief from deportation. There are roughly 1.5 million undocumented AAPIs in this country, many of whom are eligible to apply for DACA.

The National AAPI DACA Collaborative is a network of 14 organizations nationwide. In 2015 alone, Collaborative members held over 400 legal service and over 500 outreach events.

“DACA had opened doors for me to affordable education and to travel back to South Korea to reunite with my ailing grandmother for the first time in over 13 years,” said Ju Hong, Collaborative coordinator. “I strongly encourage all eligible undocumented AAPI young people to apply for DACA and experience these benefits that others take for granted.”

The Supreme Court’s June 23 4-4 [decision](#) in United States v. Texas does not affect the existing 2012 DACA policy. Individuals who meet the 2012 guidelines may continue to file an initial or renewal request for DACA. For more information, see uscis.gov/daca. The Supreme Court decision does, however, mean that the court injunction prohibiting implementation of Deferred Action for Parents of Americans and Lawful Permanent Residents (DAPA) and expanded DACA remains in effect.

USCIS reminds the public about the risk of immigration scams, in case scammers try to exploit the situation. Get tips for protecting yourself and your loved ones at uscis.gov/avoidscams or in Spanish at uscis.gov/es/eviteestafas

Bo Daraphant is AAPI DACA Collaborative fellow. “DACA is a victory that our community rightfully won,” He says, “let’s make this program stronger by applying, if you are eligible, and continuing to lift up the voices of the hardworking DACA recipients who are represented in all 50 states. We remain committed to working with the partners across the country to coordinate outreach activities and provide legal services to increase both initial and renewal applications rates among the AAPI community.”

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The National AAPI DACA Collaborative was formed in August 2012 to coordinate outreach activities and legal services to individuals eligible for the DACA program. The Collaborative consists of: Asian Americans Advancing Justice (Advancing Justice) affiliates, Advancing Justice-Los Angeles, Advancing Justice-Asian Law Caucus, and Advancing Justice-AAJC; the Asian American Legal Defense and Education Fund (AALDEF); the National Korean American Service & Education Consortium (NAKASEC) and its affiliates, the Korean Resource Center (KRC) and the Korean American Resource & Cultural Center (KRCC); South Asian Americans Leading Together (SAALT); Chinese Affirmative Action (CAA); Chinese American Service League (CASL); South Asian Organizing Center (DRUM); Filipino Advocates for Justice (FAJ); South Asian American Policy & Research Institute (SAAPRI); and South Asian Network (SAN). For more information, visit <http://aapidaca.org/>